

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
KAZUMA SATO ET AL.) : Examiner: T. D. Nguyen
Application No.: 09/840,892) : Art Unit: 3629
Filed: April 25, 2001) : Conf. No.: 4478
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD)
FOR COLLECTING USED)
OFFICE SUPPLIES) : October 6, 2006

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Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 7, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of their application in view of the following Remarks, which begin at page 2.